

PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS, Bill Hurd has a distinguished record of citizen service to the City of Alexandria beginning when the Lynn, Massachusetts, native moved to the City in 1950; and

WHEREAS, Bill was an active participant on committees and commissions that studied the structure of City Government, including the:

- Citizens Advisory Commission on the Organization of the Alexandria City Government (1954-55)
- Special Committee on the Civil and Police Courts (1956)
- Charter Review Commission (1967, 1975 and 1980)
- Committee on Election Procedures (Chairman, 1992-93); and

WHEREAS, Bill was appointed by City Council to serve as a member of the Alexandria City School Board from 1969 to 1974, two years of which he served as chairman, during the difficult period of school desegregation; and

WHEREAS, he has been very involved in historic preservation issues in Alexandria and participated in numerous efforts to preserve the City's heritage including the:

- Special Planning Commission Committee on the Revision of the Old and Historic Alexandria District Ordinance (1956-57)
- Alexandria Civil War Centennial Committee (Chairman 1959-69)
- Lyceum Study Committee (1981-82)
- Board of Architectural Review (1981-83)
- Alexandria Association (President, 1958-60)
- Alexandria Historical Society (President, 1977-79)
- Civil War Round Table of Alexandria (President, 1957-59)
- Friends of Fort Ward (President, 1992-present)
- Sons of the American Revolution, George Washington Chapter; and

WHEREAS, Bill has been a member of the Alexandria Planning Commission for 26 years, from 1958 to 1964 and from 1981 to 2001, serving as Planning Commission Chairman for the last eight years; and

WHEREAS, in that capacity Bill has had a profound impact on the development decisions in Alexandria for more than a quarter of a century; and

WHEREAS, Bill's background in transportation enabled him to play an instrumental role in the planning and establishment of the DASH bus system in Alexandria, and he has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Alexandria Transit Company since it was established in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Bill served on the:

- Transportation Planning Board (1974-75 and 1990-92)
- Committee on Multi-modal Transportation (1983)
- Woodrow Wilson Bridge Concept Competition Jury (1990)
- Mayor's Task Force on Woodrow Wilson Bridge Improvements (1990-91)
- Citizens Advisory Committee on the Northern Virginia Transportation Plan (1991-92); and

WHEREAS, Bill served as President (1956-58) and Vice President (1955-56) of the Old Town Civic Association; and

WHEREAS, Bill has been a dedicated citizen volunteer who has devoted much of his life to public service and the betterment of the City in which he has resided since 1950;

NOW, THEREFORE, I KERRY J. DONLEY, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize Bill Hurd for more than 50 years of distinguished contributions to the City of Alexandria.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 13th day of February 2001.

KERRY J. DONLEY **MAYOR**
On behalf of the City Council
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC City Clerk